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COUNTRY	East Germany	REPORT NO.
TOPIC	Soviet Troop Trains and Supply Shipments by Rail	
EVALUATION	25X1	PLACE OBTAINED 25X1
DATE OF CONTENT	17 to 24 July 1953	
DATE OBTAINED	25X1	DATE PREPARED 3 August 1953
REFERENCES		
PAGES	3	ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)
REMARKS		

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- The following military shipments were identified from railroad records between 17 and 24 July 1953:

CB - Converted Boxcar
B - Boxcar
F - Flatcar
G - Gondola car
RRY - Heavy Duty Flatcar
R - Refrigerator Car

	<u>Date in</u> <u>July</u>	<u>Shipment</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	
25X1	17	4 F, 10 RRY with T-34 tanks;	Schoeneweide	Dallgow	1
	21	6 CB, 1 B, 12 F	Altengrabow	Dallgow	2
25X1	24	9 B with ration supplies	Fuerstenberg/Havel;	Dallgow;	
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		The ration supplies were hauled off by trucks			
25X1		13 CB, 1 B, 38 F with about 250 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets; 16 x 122-mm field howitzers; and 41 trucks	Dallgow	Forst Zinna	
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14 CB, 1 B, 32 F with Dallgow
about 250 troops wearing
red-bordered black epaulets;
12 x 120-mm mortars; and
36 trucks

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3 CB, 1 B, 18 F with Dallgow
about 60 troops wearing
red-bordered black epaulets;
M-13 rocket launchers

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2. Troop trains identified from railroad records on 17 July included:

Composition of
Troop Trains

From

To

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3 CB, 2 F, 12 RRY with
24 T-34 tanks,
1 truck,
1 field kitchen and
soldiers

Berlin-
Ostbahnhof

Altruppin

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3 CB, 3 F, 11 RRY with
22 T-34 tanks,
2 trucks,
1 field kitchen and
soldiers

Berlin-
Wriezener
Bahnhof

Altruppin;

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3 CB, 2 F, 11 RRY with
22 T-34 tanks,
2 trucks and

Berlin-
Wriezener
Bahnhof

Neuruppin;

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3. Between 19 and 26 July, the following shipments were observed at the Frankfurt/Oder railroad station:

Date in
July

Shipments

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30 R
1 F with engine parts
5 F with nine new M-31 rocket launchers
1 B with about 20 soldiers

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34 B with undetermined cargo
3 F with boxes
9 F with new M-31 rocket launchers

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20 F with 20 thrashing machines
 15 flatcars with steel
 4 F with new 8 x 85-mm AT guns
 35 B with undetermined cargo
 5 G with undetermined cargo
 6 F with new M-31 rocket launchers

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25X1 [REDACTED] Comment. The troop train [REDACTED] was previously
 25X1 observed [REDACTED] The train carried contingents of the 1st Mecz Div.
 25X1 [REDACTED]
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 25X1 [REDACTED]
 25X1 [REDACTED]

25X1 [REDACTED] Comment. These troop trains carried elements of the 283rd Gds How
 Arty Regt, 294th Mort Regt and 41st RL Bn (US) of the 1st Mecz Div. The
 25X1 loading of the trains was previously observed [REDACTED]
 The loadings continue the rail movements of the 1st
 Mecz Div to Jueterbog for short-term firing practices which again started
 25X1 in early July 1953.

25X1 [REDACTED] Comment. Compare with the first observations [REDACTED] on
 25X1 12 and 13 July 1953 on the rail movement of tank elements of the 12th Gds
 Tank Div from East Berlin to the Neuruppin area. [REDACTED]
 25X1 Thus, 13 troop trains belonging to this movement have been covered [REDACTED]
 25X1 The operation probably was completed on 17 July 1953.

25X1 [REDACTED] Comment. On 21 July 1953, a shipment of new rocket launchers from the
 USSR to Koenigsbrueck via Frankfurt/Oder was observed [REDACTED]
 25X1 [REDACTED] This shipment probably was identical with the
 rocket launchers observed on 22 July 1953 in the present report. The rocket
 launcher shipments on 23 and 24 July 1953 are reported for the first time.
 The M-31 type indicates that the rocket launchers were to be assigned to
 rocket launcher regiments of the mechanized armies.

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